

SUMMER INTERNSHIP

Natural Resource Management Salt Marsh Interns

Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge

Work with refuge staff on a variety of duties, primarily (80%) working in small teams measuring and surveying salt marsh habitat parameters, carrying heavy equipment and installing Surface Elevation Tables (SETs), entering data, and maintaining project equipment. Other duties include occasionally assisting visitors in our contact station, developing and delivering outreach talks to the public, conducting wildlife surveys and assisting with invasive plant control.

Must be able to work under difficult climatic conditions, including hot and insect infested environments. Must be able to walk over uneven ground and carry heavy objects for long distances. Must possess valid driver's license. Required to work some weekends.

Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge protects more than 5,600 acres of predominately coastal marsh in southern Maine. Refuge lands are rich in diverse habitats and wildlife. Annually, over 260,000 visitors participate in hunting, fishing, wildlife observation, photography, environmental education, and interpretation.

Internships last 12-weeks (40 hr/week) beginning mid-May through September. Starting dates are negotiable.

College credit available. Arrange details with your university/college, and state your intention in your cover letter.

Salary/Housing:

\$200 per week living allowance for qualified applicants. Communal, co-ed government housing may be available or intern may provide own housing within commuting distance of Wells, ME.

To Apply

Submit:

- (1) An updated résumé. All employers and references must include current telephone numbers.
- (2) Two references who can represent your academic and/or work experience.
- (3) Written statements addressing the Qualifications and Requirements below.
- (4) Current college course transcript.

Incomplete applications will not be considered.

Address packet to:
Internship Coordinator
Rachel Carson National Wildlife Refuge
321 Port Road
Wells, Maine 04090.

Applications must be postmarked by
February 17th, 2017

Qualifications and Requirements:

1. Knowledge of wildlife biology, coastal ecology, and coastal botany through course work and/or experience.
2. Ability to speak to the public about wildlife conservation and management in formal and informal settings and the ability to communicate effectively in writing.
3. Ability to identify plants and fish through previous knowledge or use of field guides.
4. Ability to work well in small teams as well as independently.
5. A passion for wildlife conservation, a strong work ethic, and a good attitude.

For additional information:
call the Refuge Office at (207) 646-9226 or
send an email to Ryan_Kleinert@fws.gov



Staff and interns sample fish in the salt marsh.



Saltmarsh Sparrow
by Brian C. Harris